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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Wanda A. Cromlish

Serial No. : 09/731,632 Case: 18906IAR

Filed : November 20, 2000

For : HUMAN CYLOOXYGENASE-2 CDNA AND
ASSAYS FOR EVALUATING CYCLOOXY-
GENASE-2 ACTIVITY

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Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Art Unit:
1652
Examiner
Rao, Manjunath N

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action mailed March 10, 2005, setting forth a shortened statutory period for response ending June 10, 2005. Reconsideration of Applicants claims is requested. Any additional fees required in connection with this application may be taken from Merck Deposit Account number 13-2755.

Amendments to the Claims begin at page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this Response.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on the date appearing below.

MERCK & CO., INC.
By *Douglas Madsen* Date 6-6-05